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July 8, 2003

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

ACCEPTANCE OF PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTS SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 2, 4, AND 5 3 VOTES

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Ratify changes in work and accept completed contract work under the following construction contracts:

Project ID No. DAM0000004 - San Dimas Dam Slide Gate Position Indicator, vicinity of La Verne (5), Dalaj Int'l Corp., with a final contract amount of \$87,236.41.

Project ID No. RDC0011021 - Del Amo Boulevard at Alameda Street, City of Carson (2), Modern Continental/Roadway Joint Venture, with changes amounting to a credit of \$396,171.90, and a final contract amount of \$17,961,233.44 (Partial Acceptance).

Project ID No. RDC0012751 - Western Avenue, 104th Street to South Paseo Del Mar, vicinities of Inglewood and Lomita (2 and 4), C. T. & F. Inc., with changes amounting to a credit of \$14,904.78, with a final contract amount of \$404,799.73.

Project ID No. RDC0013393 - 30th Street East et al., vicinity of Lancaster (5), Granite Construction Company, with a final contract amount of \$872,743.08.

Project ID No. RDC0013793 - Valley Circle Boulevard, et al., vicinity of Chatsworth (5), Sully-Miller Contracting Company, with changes amounting to a credit of \$11,514.08, and a final contract amount of \$259,451.52.

Project ID No. RDC0014017 - Fullerton Road at Crosshaven Drive, vicinity of Rowland Heights (4), L.A. Signal, Inc., with changes in the amount of \$85.70, and a final contract amount of \$100,082.70.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

This action is to obtain Board ratification of Director-approved changes in public works contracts and Board acceptance of the work of the contracts in compliance with the provisions of the Public Contract Code. Included in the enclosures are project and contract data, the scope of work of changes to be ratified, and the work of the contracts to be accepted.

The Director of Public Works has been authorized by your Board to order changes in work up to \$10,000 for construction contracts. Changes to accommodate field conditions in order to meet the intent of the plans and specifications are not subject to this monetary limitation. Enclosed for your ratification are changes in work which I ordered for Project ID Nos. RDC0011021, RDC0012751, RDC0013793, and RDC0014017.

The projects have been completed, and it is recommended that your Board accept them on the dates indicated in the enclosures.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The acceptance of these construction contracts is consistent with the County Strategic Plan Goal of Service Excellence since acceptance of these completed contracts will provide improved infrastructure to better serve the public.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The modifications to the contract amounts range in value from a credit of \$396,171.90 to an increase in the amount of \$85.70, while the total values of the contracts range from \$87,236.41 to \$17,961,233.44.

Ratification of the changes in work and acceptance of the work of the respective contracts by your Board is in compliance with the acceptance and prompt payment provisions of the Public Contract Code.

Sufficient funds are available in the Board-approved appropriations for each of the respective projects to cover the costs of the changes and the total value of each of the contracts. Detailed cost breakdowns for each of the changes together with contract cost summaries are included in the enclosures.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Each of these contracts for the construction of public works improvements was awarded by your Board to the lowest responsible bidder in accordance with the California Public Contract Code, your Board's directives, and as recommended by the Director of Public Works.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The changes in the work as described above and in the enclosures are within the limits of the Board-approved projects and do not change any conditions which resulted in the original environmental findings.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

Each contract provided that the contractor be compensated for changes in the work as a result of changes to the original plans and specifications or changed conditions encountered during the course of construction. The costs of each of the changes were based on contract unit prices, time and materials methods, or were negotiated under the provisions of the contract specifications. The methods for arriving at the final costs of the changes are included in the enclosures.

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IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Ratification of the requested changes and acceptance of the work of the contracts by your Board will ensure the timely closeout of the respective contracts, releasing Departmental and County assets for other construction-related activities.

CONCLUSION

Please return one approved copy of this letter to Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES A. NOYES
Director of Public Works

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cc: Chief Administrative Office
County Counsel
Office of Affirmative Action Compliance

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PROJECT ID NO. DAM0000004, SAN DIMAS DAM SLIDE GATE POSITION
INDICATOR (in the vicinity of La Verne), Supervisorial District 5

Contractor: Dalaj Int'l Corp., 2045 Pelham Avenue, Los Angeles, California 90025

Project Description:

Furnishing and installation of slide gate position indicators.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on November 27, 2002, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required for the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

The contractor finished the work 7 days after the required completion date. The project specifications provide for the assessment of liquidated damages of \$500 per day for each calendar day in excess of the contract completion date; therefore, we assessed liquidated damages in the amount of \$3,500. The contractor does not dispute this assessment.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$68,800.00
Actual costs of changes in work previously approved by the Board	21,936.41
Deduction for liquidated damages	<u>(3,500.00)</u>
 FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	 <u>\$87,236.41</u>

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ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT (PARTIAL)
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PROJECT ID NO. RDC0011021, DEL AMO BOULEVARD AT ALAMEDA STREET
(City of Carson), Supervisorial District 2

Contractor: Modern Continental/Roadway Joint Venture, 18801 Ventura Boulevard,
Suite 301, Tarzana, California 91356

Project Description:

Construction of a bridge over the Alameda Corridor, including roadway widening and reconstruction, a storm drain system, traffic signals, street lighting, and landscaping.

Changes in Work:

Variations in Bid Quantities (\$396,171.90)

Description of Changes:

The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The decrease in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities. The costs for these changes were based on contract unit prices.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on March 28, 2002, in accordance with the plans and specifications; however, the contractor failed to comply with the affirmative action reporting requirements of the contract. We are working with the contractor to resolve this issue. In the interim, \$34,600 is being withheld from the value of the contract.

Rather than delay payment of the retention to the contractor for the completed work, pursuant to Section 7107 of the California Public Contract Code, we recommend that all retention be released with the exception of the withholding discussed above. Once these items are completed satisfactorily, we will provide your Board with our recommendation for final acceptance of the work of this contract.

Amount Due Contractor at this time:

Original contract amount	\$15,704,777.00
Actual costs of changes in work previously approved by the Board	2,687,228.34
Changes in work authorized by Director of Public Works	(396,171.90)
Withholding for Affirmative Action noncompliance	<u>(34,600.00)</u>
AMOUNT DUE CONTRACTOR AT THIS TIME	<u>\$17,961,233.44</u>

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PROJECT ID NO. RDC0012751, WESTERN AVENUE, 104TH STREET TO
SOUTH PASEO DEL MAR (in the vicinities of Inglewood and Lomita),
Supervisory Districts 2 and 4

Contractor: C. T. & F., Inc., 7228 Scout Avenue, Bell Gardens, California 90201

Project Description:

Synchronization of traffic signals.

Changes in Work:

(1) Variations in Bid Quantities	\$23,326.52
(2) Traffic Signal System Redesign	(60,386.30)
(3) Exploratory Excavations	8,400.00
(4) Fee Reimbursement	1,130.00
(5) Relocate Pull Box	1,475.00
(6) Install Foundation	1,150.00
(7) Install 3" Conduit	<u>10,000.00</u>
Total	(\$ <u>14,904.78</u>)

Description of Changes:

(1) The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The increase in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities.

(2) During construction, it was found that the traffic control system originally designed for this project could be improved by employing newer traffic control technology. These modifications resulted in a decrease in contract price in the amount shown.

(3) In order to find the location of existing utilities, it was necessary to perform several exploratory excavations.

(4) It is necessary to compensate the contractor for the cost of a Caltrans permit, as stipulated in the contract specifications.

(5) Due to the relocation of a traffic signal pole, it was necessary to relocate an existing pull box. This work was not shown on the plans.

(6) It was necessary to construct a new traffic signal pole foundation for a County-furnished traffic signal pole. This work was not shown on the plans.

(7) In order to install all of the required electrical wiring, it was necessary to use 3" conduit in lieu of the sub-standard 1.5" conduit that was shown on the plans.

The costs for Item 1 and a portion of the cost for Item 2 were based on contract unit prices. The balance of the cost for Item 2 and the costs for Items 5, 6, and 7 were negotiated as provided in Subsection 3-2 of the contract specifications. The cost for Item 3 was stipulated in the contract specifications. The cost for Item 4 was based on time and materials methods as provided in Subsection 3-3 of the contract specifications.

No additional working days were required because of these changes.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on April 24, 2003, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required for the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$419,704.51
Changes in work authorized by Director of Public Works	<u>(14,904.78)</u>
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	<u>\$404,799.73</u>

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PROJECT ID NO. RDC0013393, 30TH STREET EAST, ET AL. (in the vicinity of Lancaster), Supervisorial Districts 5

Contractor: Granite Construction Company, P.O. Box 50085, Watsonville, California 95077-5085

Project Description:

Reconstruction and resurfacing of pavement and reconstruction of driveways.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on September 20, 2002, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required for the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

Revised Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$828,280.00
Actual cost of changes in work previously approved by the Board	<u>44,463.08</u>
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	<u>\$872,743.08</u>

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PROJECT ID NO. RDC0013793, VALLEY CIRCLE BOULEVARD, ET AL. (in the vicinity of Chatsworth), Supervisorial District 5

Contractor: Sully-Miller Contracting Company, 3555 East Vineyard Avenue, Oxnard, California 93030

Project Description:

Reconstruction of roadway pavement, tree removal, and removal and installation of guardrail.

Changes in Work:

(1) Variations in Bid Quantities	(\$12,264.08)
(2) Replace Guardrail Terminal System	<u>750.00</u>
Total	(\$ <u>11,514.08</u>)

Description of Changes:

(1) The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The decrease in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities. The costs for these changes were based on contract unit prices.

(2) On Box Canyon Road, it was necessary to modify the guardrail called out in the plans and specifications because of space limitations of the job site.

The costs for Item 1 and a portion of the cost for Item 2 were based on contract unit prices. The balance of the cost for Item 2 was negotiated as provided in Subsection 3-2 of the contract specifications.

Two additional working days were required because of these changes.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on April 1, 2003, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$270,965.60
Changes in work authorized by Director of Public Works	<u>(11,514.08)</u>
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	<u><u>\$259,451.52</u></u>

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PROJECT ID NO. RDC0014017, FULLERTON ROAD AT CROSSHAVEN DRIVE
(in the vicinity of Rowland Heights), Supervisorial District 4

Contractor: L.A. Signal, Inc., 15100 East Nelson Avenue, Industry, California 91744.

Project Description:

The installation of traffic signals and the reconstruction of sidewalk, curb, and gutter.

Changes in Work:

(1) Variations in Bid Quantities	(\$2,014.30)
(2) Exploratory Excavations	<u>2,100.00</u>
Total	\$ <u>85.70</u>

Description of Changes:

(1) The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The decrease in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities. The costs for these changes were based on contract unit prices.

(2) It was necessary to perform exploratory excavations to determine the exact locations of existing utilities.

Fifteen additional working days were required because of these changes.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on February 6, 2003, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to length of time required to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$ 99,997.00
Changes in work authorized by Director of Public Works	<u>85.70</u>
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	<u>\$100,082.70</u>

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